

Losing Battle With Cancer

# Friends Say Dulles Is Sinking

Friends of John Foster Dulles expressed fears today that he may lose his battle with cancer in a matter of days.

These friends said his strength was slowly ebbing. They said he was growing weaker daily in his suite at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Reliable sources gave this information following an announcement yesterday by the State Department that there had been "some further decline" in the condition of the former Secretary of State.

## PNEUMONIA

State Department Press Officer Lincoln White said the pneumonia attack that Mr. Dulles suffered last week had not completely cleared up.

The 71-year-old former cabinet member has been confined to his bed for a week. Members of his family were called here last Saturday when the case of pneumonia was diagnosed.

Doctors reported at first that he was responding satisfactorily to the treatment for the pneumonia. But more recent medical bulletins have reported a decline in his general condition.

## SONS CALLED HERE

The call to his family brought back his two sons, Father Avery Dulles, S. J., who was studying at the The former Secretary's sister, Mrs. Eleanor Lansing Dulles, returned here from a State Department mission in Berlin.

Other members of the Dulles family who already visited and John Foster Dulles, a mining engineer who was working in Mexico, were on hand or came here

from their homes in the United States were the statesman's wife, Janet; his brother, Central Intelligence Agency Director Allen Dulles; and a daughter, Mrs. Robert

Mr. Dulles also has two other sisters, Mrs. Natalie Seymour of Utica, N. Y. and Mrs. Margaret Edwards of Rye, N. Y. Both were reported to be close at hand. (UPI)

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